Security and tension free atmosphere for women employees

1411. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the steps Government have taken so far to ensure security and tension-free work atmosphere for women employees in the XV and NV schools, as directed by the Supreme Court in the Vishaka case; and

(b) if no action has been taken, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Complaint Redressal Committees have been constituted at the Headquarters and Regional Office level of KVS and NVS for redressal of complaints of gender harassment of women employees as per directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the Vishakha Case. Complaints received from women employees are immediately got inquired into by these committees and appropriate action is taken based on the findings of the report.

(b) Does not arise.

TV channels of Prasar Bharti

†1412. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision to start four TV. channels abroad has been taken by Prasasr Bharti:

(b) if so, the number of channels to be started in each country;

(c) whether viability of these channels has been ascertained before starting them; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard and estimate of annual earnings from the operation of these channels?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) to (d) Prasar Bharti has informed that no such decision has been taken to start four TV channels abroad. Doordarshan has however, selected two parties for distribution of four of its existing channels viz. DD India, DD News, DD Bangla and DD Punjabi, in U.S.A.

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